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Minutes Of October 13, 2009

A meeting of the Senate Committee on Judiciary was held on Tuesday, October 13, 2009, in room 210, Farnum Building, 125 W. Allegan Street, Lansing, MI 48933.

- Senator Kuipers called the meeting to order at 1:08 P.M. The roll of the Committee was called by the Committee Clerk.

Senator Kuipers – Present
Senator Cropsey – Present
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Present
Senator Stamas – Present
Senator Whitmer - Excused
Senator Clarke – Present
Senator Basham – Excused

Agenda

- Approve minutes from October 6, 2009.

Motion by Senator Cropsey to approve the minutes from October 6, 2009 and was supported by Senator Stamas.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer - Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Senator Kuipers opened up testimony on Senate Bills 760 - 767.
 1. Connie Burgess representing Senator Ron Jelinek spoke briefly to introduce the bills.
 2. David Morris the Prosecuting Attorney for Livingston County spoke briefly and is in support of the bills.
 3. Chris Hawkins representing the Michigan State Police did not wish to speak but is neutral to SB 761, SB 763, SB 765 and SB 767.

- Motion by Senator Patterson to report Senate Bill 760 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Cropsey.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Motion by Senator Patterson to report Senate Bill 761 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Cropsey.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report Senate Bill 762 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report Senate Bill 763 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Excused

Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report Senate Bill 764 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to adopt the S-1 Substitute for SB 765, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report Senate Bill 765 S-1 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer – Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report Senate Bill 766 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused

Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer - Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

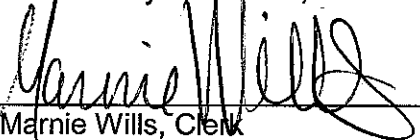
- Motion by Senator Cropsey to report Senate Bill 767 with favorable recommendation for passage and immediate effect, supported by Senator Patterson.

A record roll call was ordered as follows:

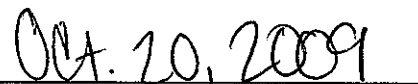
Senator Kuipers – Yes
Senator Cropsey – Yes
Senator Sanborn – Excused
Senator Patterson – Yes
Senator Stamas – Yes
Senator Whitmer - Excused
Senator Clarke – Yes
Senator Basham – Excused

- Discussion on Guantanamo Bay detainees.
 1. Dr. Peter Leitner, President of the Higgins Counterterrorism Research Center, spoke on his assesment of the situation with Guantanamo Bay detainees and is opposed to transporting them to Michigan.
 2. Lt. Col. Gordon Cucullu spoke briefly to the subject and is opposed to transporting Guantanamo Bay detainees to Michigan.
 3. Christopher Moran did not wish to speak but is opposed to the transfer of Guantanamo Bay detainees to Michigan.
 4. Kelly Kimball did not wish to speak but is opposed to the transfer of Guantanamo Bay detainees to Michigan.
 5. David Munson did not wish to speak but is opposed to the transfer of Guantanamo Bay detainees to Michigan.
 6. Linda Brenner did not wish to speak but is opposed to the transfer of Guantanamo Bay detainees to Michigan.
- Senator Kuipers adjourned the meeting at 2:37 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Marnie Wills, Clerk


Wayne Kuipers, Chair


Date Approved